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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Rumney
SUBJECT : Status Report on the NIPS

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with a report on the current status of the NIPS work, current problems, and some recommendations for getting on with it.

2. Annex A - Requirements

Parts I and II were due from COMIREX on 30 September. Dick Kerr has a man on it and Roland is aware of the problem. However, Dick tells me it is likely to be November before we receive the input.

Part III of Annex A (the [] draft) is in your hands pending a decision for future action; a copy has been given to [] for his use as a preliminary. I have read [] note which you passed to me. Contract is a way to go, but I do not believe we have the time. My recommendation is to pass the [] draft to Carver with a memo explaining what it is and why we need such a paper and request his views and comments.

3. Annex B - Collection

NRO has completed drafts of Section I, II, and III. No revisions have been made, although we have provided informal and semi-formal comments.

4. Annex C - Exploitation

Drafts of Part I and II have been completed. [] is currently collecting comments from his EXSUBCOM members. Copies have been made available to []

Part III was due on 30 September. It has just been started and will probably be completed in November.

5. Annex D - Dissemination

Drafts of Part I and II have been completed and have been made available to [] Part III is due on 28 November.

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6. Annex E - Military Usage

[] provided an early draft, and I expect another draft any day.

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7. Part I was due on 30 September. Parts II and III are due on 15 November. [] is the action officer and has been occupied with Objectives and Perspectives and, now, NFIPR. We may have to pull this together in some other way.

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8. Other Considerations

Civil Annex - I am trying to set up a meeting next week with [] (DDI) and [] (DDS&T) to discuss the possibility of doing something in this area.

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9. NIPS Main Report

[] view on this is that eventually we shall take these Annexes and spend a week at [] putting together the NIPS. We can worry about getting out printed Annexes later, if this is necessary. This sounds like a sensible approach to me and one that guarantees that we shall get something done.

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10. Epilogue

I would advise that first you and I get together and discuss the art of the possible with respect to NIPS at this point in time. Second, I think we ought to then have a meeting with Blankenship to discuss plans for putting together the main report. Finally, we ought to call the action officers together in early November and have another "commitment" session.

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